

Review 17 Euler's method

approximates solutions to diff. equations
(initial value problems)

iterate

$$y_n = y_{n-1} + \frac{dy}{dx} \cdot \Delta x$$

initial values

need to be given: $\frac{dy}{dx}$, (x_0, y_0) , Δx
also need x_n

x	y	y'
x_0	y_0	
x_1		
x_2		
\vdots		
x_n		

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Ex 1. $\frac{dy}{dx} = x - y - 1$ $f(1) = 2$ $f(1.4) = ?$
use Euler's, with 2 equal steps
 $\Delta x = 0.2$

x	y	y'
1	-2	2
1.2	-1.6	1.8
1.4	-1.24	

$$y = -2 + (2)(.2) = -2 + .4$$

$$y = -1.6 + (1.8)(.2) = -1.6 + .36$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1.60 \\ -.36 \\ \hline 1.24 \end{array}$$

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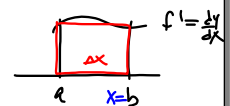
$$\vec{v} = \left\langle \frac{dx}{dt}, \frac{dy}{dt} \right\rangle$$

Ex 2 velocity vector for a moving particle
is $\vec{v} = \langle x+t, 2 \rangle$. If the particle
starts at the origin, approximate x
when $t = .3$. use $\Delta t = .1$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x+t$$

t	x	x'
0	0	0
.1	0	.1
.2	.01	.21
.3	.031	.31

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$$y_n = y_{n-1} + \frac{dy}{dx} \Delta x$$

$$f(b) = f(a) + \int_a^b f'(t) dt$$

$$f(x) = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$\text{tan line } y_2 = y_1 + m(x-a)$$

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